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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371 | | Attorney's Docket Number 040894-7399 |
| International Application. No. International Filing Date | U.S. Application No. 20/567861 Unassigned | |
| PCT/JP2004/011637 August 6, 2004 | Priority Date Claimed August 12, 2003 | |

Title of Invention: **MOTOR-DRIVEN REINFORCING BAR BINDER**
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371.
2. ☐ This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371.
3. ☐ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. § 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. § 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☐ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2))
 - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
7. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2)).
8. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3)).
 - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
9. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3)).
10. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventors (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(4)).
11. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(5)).

Items 12. to 15. below concern other document(s) or information included:

12. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98.
13. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.28 and § 3.31 is included.
14. ☐ A FIRST preliminary amendment.
- ☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
15. ☒ Other items or information:
 - Published WO 2005/014398 A1 (Cover page only)
 - PCT/ISA/237 (three (3) pages)
 - International Search Report/PCT/ISA/210 (eleven (11) pages)
 - PCT/RO/101 (five (5) pages)
 - PCT/RO/105 (one (1) page)
 - PCT/IB/301 (three (3) pages)
 - PCT/IB/304 (one (1) page)
 - PCT/IB/308 (one (1) page)

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16. ☒ The following fees are submitted:
 Basic National Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):

NATIONAL STAGE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = \$300.00

Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than

☐ 20 ☐ 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date

(37 C.F.R. § 1.492(e)). **\$300.00**

| Claims | Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate | |
|---|--------------|--------------|------------|-------------------|
| Total Claims | 11 - 20 = | 0 | X \$50.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 2 - 3 = | 0 | X \$200.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable) | | | + \$360.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Application Size Fee - \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets that exceeds 100 | | | | \$ 0.00 |
| Search Fee | | | \$400.00 | \$400.00 |
| Examination Fee | | | \$200.00 | \$200.00 |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS | | | | \$ 1000.00 |
| Reduction by ½ for filing by small entity, if applicable. | | | | |
| Verified Small Entity statement must also be filed. (Note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28) | | | | -\$0.00 |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ 900.00 |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(f)). | | | | +\$ 0.00 |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ 900.00 |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h)). The Assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. §§ 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | | | | \$ 40.00 |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$ 940.00 |
| Amount to be refunded | | | | \$ 0.00 |
| Amount to be charged | | | | \$ 940.00 |

- a. ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees is enclosed.
 b. ☒ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the amount of **\$940.00**
 to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
 c. ☒ **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized
 by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application
 including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, or credit any
 overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

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